

Larson Report

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STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Personnel</u>

Parks, Energy and Environment

Judiciary, Safety, and General Services

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Pension Study Commission

WHAT DO <u>YOU</u>THINK?

What events would you like to see happen in our parks?

Please call me or send me an email with your thoughts.

Dear Neighbor,

Hope you are doing well and enjoying the winter. There are a number of events coming up that I'd like to bring to your attention. First, we just finished our second printed newsletter for the district and are looking for volunteers to help distribute it this weekend. We are hand-delivering them to save taxpayer money on postage. If you're interested in helping, meet us at Humboldt Park Pavilion this weekend. More info below.

The second local event this month is the Winter Blast in Bay View on Sunday, Feb 21st, from 1-4pm at the South Shore Pavilion. There will be kids activities, entertainment, and a chili contest. This is a great event to get out of the house with the whole family for some good indoor fun.

The third big event is the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit at the Public Museum. This special attraction will only be in town for a limited time, so be sure to get to the museum to check it out. I had the chance to see the exhibit last week and have to say that it is truly remarkable. It's a "must see" for anyone interested in history or has an interest in Judaism, Christianity, or Islam. (More details below)

Hope to see you at one of these events soon!

-Chris

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District 14 Newsletter Walk/Pizza and Cocoa Party

On Saturday, January 30 and Sunday January 31 join myself and other District 14 neighbors in getting out the District Newsletter. We're going to save taxpayer money and get exercise all at the same time! This will be a fun neighborhood stroll with a purpose followed by a yummy pizza party (hot cocoa included!).

This is a great way to:

- 1.) Meet other active people
- 2.) Get some great exercise
- 3.) Help your neighborhood
- 4.) Get your Democracy on!

Meet at: Humboldt Park Pavilion

When: Saturday, Jan 30th, 10am and/or

Sunday, Jan 31st, noon

Come one day or come both days! Exercise, pizza, and cocoa - three good flavors that taste good together! If you are interested in helping out but can't make any of these times, we'll be heading out during the week also. Just email chris.larson@milwenty.com or call the office at 278-4252 with the dates/times that you'd be available or if you have any questions.

Any help on spreading the word for this event is appreciated.

Thanks so much for your time! See you there!

Winter Blast in Bay View

The Bay View Winter Blast is back, and you know what that means...Bay View CHILI COOKOFF! There will be 2 categories, Business and Individual, and the title for best chili in 2010 is at stake! The price will be \$1 per bowl and the winner will be announced at 3:45p.m.

This great event includes entertainment by Danny Crivello and the Garlic Mustard Pickers, a silent auction, games, face painting, and good old fashioned family friendly fun.

Please bring non-perishable foods for the Bay View food pantries.

When: Sunday, Feb 21st, from 1-4pm

Where: South Shore Park 2900 South Shore Drive

For more information contact: bayviewneighborhood@gmail.com or Robb Florek at bimltd@sbcglobal.net or (414) 418 - 9198.

Did you know?

Milwaukee County has a musical group rooted in the preservation of Milwaukee County Parks? Check out the <u>Garlic Mustard Pickers!</u>

2010 Milwaukee County Senior Hall of Fame

The Milwaukee County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame honors older adults in Milwaukee County who have made significant contributions to the community

Established in 1997, the Senior Hall of Fame honors five outstanding seniors in Milwaukee County who have served the community as volunteers and as advocates on behalf of the elderly. The Commission on Aging appoints a committee to review nominations for the Hall of Fame Award recommends five seniors to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Nominees must be at least 60 years of age and residents of Milwaukee County.

Click <u>HERE</u> for official rules and nomination form.

Spring 2010 Internship Opportunity

My office is now accepting applications for our Spring 2010 Internship Program.

The internship will consist of assisting in office related matters, schedule coordination, public policy research, and other County-related duties. This role includes interaction with district constituents, local policy makers, and the chance to get behind the scenes experience in local government.

All internships require a minimum of 15 hours a week and are open to undergraduate students and graduate students. We are looking for professional, hard working, highly motivated intern candidates with strong communication skills.

Opportunities are available to focus on a particular area of interest and to experience the day-to-day work atmosphere of the County Board. Advocates of transit and the parks are encouraged to apply.

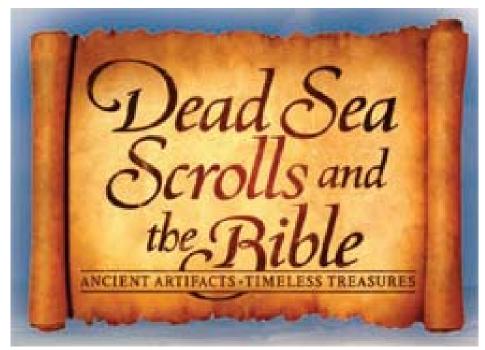
Candidates will be considered if they:

- (1) Have passion for serving the public good;
- (2) Are in good academic standing;
- (3) Have an interest in working in public service and learning more about local government;
- (4) Possess excellent communication skills, both verbal and written. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume, three references, hours of availability, and at least one writing sample

All applications must be received by Wednesday, February 17, 2010.

Please feel free to forward the application to any parties who may be interested.

Dead Sea Scrolls at the Milwaukee Public Museum



Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible: Ancient Artifacts, Timeless Treasures brings together archaeological objects and manuscripts to tell a story 2,000 years in the making. Witness actual Dead Sea Scrolls and other early biblical artifacts to learn how transmission of these early writings has shaped the beliefs of Judaism and Christianity and influenced aspects of Islam

The largest temporary exhibit ever produced by the Milwaukee Public Museum, *Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible* explores the archaeological history of the Holy Land during the period the Scrolls were written, from the third century BCE through the first century CE. The exhibit also tracks the discovery of the first Scrolls and subsequent realization of their extraordinary significance.

A series of eleven lectures will be given by international experts on different facets of the exhibit:

http://www.mpm.edu/dead-sea-scrolls/events/

For ticketing information, call 414-223-4676 or visit: http://www.mpm.edu/dead-sea-scrolls/

19th Annual Kids' Ice Fishing Clinics

The 19th Annual Free Ice-Fishing Clinics for children ages 15 and under will take place, weather permitting, on Saturday, February 6, 2010 from 9am to 3pm at five Milwaukee County Parks. The clinics begin every hour with the last clinic starting at 2 pm. No pre-registration is required.

All fishing equipment will be furnished. Everyone completing the clinic will receive a certificate and instructional handouts. Young children should be accompanied by an adult. Members of local fishing clubs will teach knot tying, safe use of equipment and proper techniques on the ice.

The clinics will occur at the following Milwaukee County Parks:

Humboldt Park3000 S. Howell Ave.

McCarty Park8214 W. Cleveland Ave. (wheelchair accessible)

McGovern Park5400 N. 51 Blvd. (wheelchair accessible)

Scout Lake Park...... 5902 W. Loomis Rd. (wheelchair accessible)

Wilson Park............1601 W. Howard Ave.

For more information, call the Milwaukee County Parks at (414) 257-PARK (7275), or for groups of 20 or more call the DNR at (414) 263-8614.

Sponsored in cooperation with the Wisconsin Council of Sport Fishing Organizations, Milwaukee County Parks, Milwaukee County House of Correction Fish Hatchery, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

2010 Adopted Budget Now Online

You can now view the 2010 Adopted Budget online: http://www.milwaukeecounty.org/FiscalAffairs7904/2010AdoptedOperatingBudget.htm

There is a lot of valuable information for you, and I would highly recommend taking a few moments to look over the 2010 Adopted Operating Budget Narrative. The better informed you are the better I can serve you, so please feel free to share any thoughts you have on Milwaukee County's 2010 budget.

3rd Annual Chinese New Year Celebration at the Domes

The 3rd all-day festival to celebrate the Chinese New Year will be hosted by the Milwaukee Chinese Community Center, the Mitchell Park Domes and the Milwaukee County Parks on **Saturday**, **Feb. 6**. The festival will open at **9am** at the Domes, **524 S. Layton Boulevard**, and end at 7pm with an evening light show.

Oriental music and dance, arts and crafts, Chinese calligraphy and traditional Chinese treats will be provided. A conventional lantern show will illuminate the Domes and holistic healing and alternative medicine consultation of the Far East will be presented.

Children's activities will include a dragon parade, dumpling making, and the teaching of Chinese words and phrases. Souvenirs for children in customary red envelopes will be handed out. Visitors can enjoy an evening light show and activities and music presented by the Milwaukee Chinese Community Center. Regular admission rates apply. For more information visit MilwaukeeChinese.org or call the Mitchell Park Domes at (414) 649 - 9830.

DATE: Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010

TIME: 9am – 7pm

LOCATION: Mitchell Park Domes 524 S. Layton Boulevard

Music Under Glass 2010 Season at the Domes

This month, the Milwaukee County Parks continues its after-hours "Music Under Glass" at the Mitchell Park Domes, 524 S. Layton Boulevard. This month's opening concert will feature *Altered Five* on Tuesday, February 2, from 6:30-8:30pm.

The Mitchell Park Domes Concert Series runs through March 18 every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Light shows will occur during the evening concert breaks and after performances.

For the price of admission, attendees will be entertained by live music, an awe-inspiring, computer-generated light show and the option to tour all

three Domes with their rare and exotic plant life from every continent on Earth. A total of 22 evenings are scheduled featuring quality music with diverse styles and genre. Food and beverages are available for purchase.

For more information, go to <u>countyparks.com</u> or call the Parks Office at (414) 257-PARK.

Series Schedule:

February 2 Altered Five	6:30 - 8:30
February 4 Doo-Wop Daddies	6:30 - 8:30
February 9 Saddlebrook	6:30 - 8:30
February 11 Copper Box	6:30 - 8:30
February 16 The Sophisticate Dixielanders	6:30 - 8:30
February 18 Perry Webber & the Deville's	6:30 - 8:30
February 23 Mount Olive	6:30 - 8:30
February 25 The Keith Weisling Group	
March 2 Radio Radio	
March 4 Harvey Scales & The Seven Sounds	
March 9 Boo the Band	
March 11 Reilly	6:30 - 8:30
March 16 Leroy Airmaster featuring Steve Cohen	
March 18 King Solomon	
*Note – Performance schedules may be subject to change.	

Train Show, 'Westward Ho' Opens at the Domes

The Mitchell Park Domes, 524 S. Layton Blvd. is preparing to open this winter's indoor Train Show, "Westward Ho." It will include several G-scale trains running simultaneously on over 500 feet of track through a landscape of western scenes such as the Mesa Verde, the Golden Gate Bridge and a cattle drive. The show opened Saturday, Jan. 16 at 9 a.m. and runs everyday through March 14.

The train show is extremely popular to visitors of all ages. The coming show is masterfully landscaped and designed with state-of-the-art digital technology. Bring the family and see collectible one-of-a-kind trains travel around the West as they wind their way through azaleas and hundreds of miniature plantings.

The Domes are open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 to 5 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and weekends 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Adult admission is \$6.50, children ages 6-17 are \$5 and children under age 6 are free. The Wisconsin Garden Railway Society, the Glacier Train club and members from Racine and Illinois provide volunteer support along with local hobbyists to answer any and all train questions. For more information go to countyparks.com or contact the Domes at (414) 649 - 9830.

Register for E-Notify

If you would like to continue receiving e-newsletters from my office, you will need to sign-up for e-notify at http://www.milwaukee.gov/enotify. Once you have registered, you can choose what type of information you would like emailed directly to you. This includes news releases, meeting notices, agendas and job notices to name a few. This e-newsletter will be sent out through our email list until the end of summer when it will be going directly through the e-notify program. Feel free to pass this information along to anyone you think might be interested in it.

If you would like to hear live audio of the board and committee meetings check out the links below:

Live audio of County Board meetings

http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room200

Live audio of Committee meetings in 201-B

http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room201b

Live audio of Committee meetings in 203-R

http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room203r

If you would like to get the Milwaukee County Board Meeting Schedule click <u>here</u>. For the Milwaukee County Committee Meeting Schedule click <u>here</u>.

February Neighborhood Group Meetings:

Bay View Neighborhood Association

Contact: Patty Thompson at (414) 403 – 8003 or (414) 297 – 9783

bayviewneighborhood@gmail.com http://www.bayviewneighborhood.org

February Meeting

When: Thursday, February 18, 7:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. **Where:** Eschweiler House, 2445 S. Kinnickinnic

Town of Lake Neighborhood Association

Contact: Julia O'Connor (Interim President) at (414) 430 – 4711

February Meeting

When: 2nd Thursday of the Month, 6:30 p.m. Where: The Water Tower (6th & Howard)

Oklahoma Gardens Neighborhood Association

Contact: (414) 672 – 6758

February Meeting

When: 2nd Monday of the Month, 6:30pm

Where: The Child Development Center of St. Joseph's, 1600 W.

Oklahoma Ave.

Holt Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Diane Kosarzycki

(414) 645 – 1967 (home) dianekosarzycki@att.net

For February meeting information contact Diane Kosarzycki

Tippecanoe Park Watch Contact: (414) 278 – 4252 No Meeting in February

City Meadows Neighborhood Association
Contact: Cindi Herzog at (414) 817 – 8000

http://www.Citymeadows.org

February Steering Committee Meeting

When: Thursday, February 4, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Where: Benny's Café, 5354 S. 27th St

Garden District Neighborhood Association

Contact: Michael Murphy at (414) 364 – 8762

February Meeting

When: 3rd Tuesday of the Month, 6:30p.m.

Where: 1122 W Boden Ct. 2nd Floor Conference Room

Uncas Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Connie Wilson

(414) 759 - 9009 **February Meeting**

When: Contact Connie Wilson regarding meeting dates and times

Where: House of Hamburg, 5937 S Howell Ave.

Airport Gardens Neighborhood Association

Contact: Perry Buck (414) 747 – 2470 (home) or (414) 759 – 1189 (cell)

http://www.airportgardens.org/index.html

South Shore Park Watch

Contact: Barbara Chudnow at southshoreparkwatch@yahoo.com

February Meeting

When: 2nd Thursday of the Month, 7:00p.m.

Where: South Shore Park Pavilion, 2900 S. Shore Dr.

Holler Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: President, Chris Kuester at (414) 769 – 1815

For February meeting information contact Chris Kuester

Humboldt Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Ruth Simos at (414) 483 – 9330 <u>r.simos@sbcglobal.net</u>

For February meeting information contact Ruth Simos

Wilson Park NA

February Meeting

Contact: Tammy Kukla (414) 383 - 2007

When: First Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Either Wilson Commons or the Wilson Park Pavilion

TammyKukla@aol.com or (414) 383 - 2007